



*Embracing Equity: Strategies to Advance Equity and
Reduce Disparities in Virginia's Behavioral Health System*



2021 Symposium WORKING Agenda

(details and schedule subject to change)

9:30AM **DBHDS Welcome**

9:35AM–11AM **Morning Speakers**

Many Virginia community services boards and private providers have shown significant support for diversity, equity, and inclusion and for reducing disparities. During the morning hours, participants will learn about Virginia's goals and efforts in this area and about how to put concepts into action in the workplace and throughout the service array.

The Honorable Creigh Deeds, Senator, 25th District of Virginia

The Honorable Janice Underwood, Ph.D., Chief Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer, The Office of Governor Northam

Alison Land, Commissioner, DBHDS

Mindy Carlin, Virginia Association of Community-Based Providers

11AM–12PM **KEYNOTE**

Jessica Young Brown, Ph.D., LCP, Assistant Professor of Counseling and Practical Theology; Director, Barry Young Center for Ministry Formation, Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology, Virginia Union University Title, Organization

12PM–1PM **LUNCH**

1PM–2PM **Session One – Randl Dent, Ph.D.**, Equity Scholar, Atlantic Fellows for Health Equity Program at the Fitzhugh Mullan Institute for Health Workforce Equity

2PM–3PM **Session Two – Tanyika Mobley**, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer, DBHDS

3PM–4PM **Session Three – Seyoum Berhe**, State Refugee Coordinator, Virginia Department of Social Services

4PM **ADJOURN**

CEU credit hours will be available (VA) upon completion of evaluation